UNITED STATES FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION STATEMENT

Southeast Missouri Ozarks Regional Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment

Within the spirit and intent of the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other statutes, orders, and policies that protect fish and wildlife resources, I have established the following administrative record and have determined that the action of the acquisition of equivalent resources under Alternative D of the Southeast Missouri Ozarks Regional Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for the:

Southeast Missouri Lead Mining District: ASARCO, Sweetwater Mine and Mill Site

And Southeast Missouri Lead Mining District: ASARCO, Glover Smelter Site X is categorically excluded under the Department of the Interior's Departmental Manual for Managing the NEPA process within Fish and Wildlife Service. The applicable exclusions include, but are not necessarily limited to: 8.5 B(3), 8.5B(4), 8.5B(5), 8.5B(6), 8.5B(7), and 8.5B(11) 516 DM 6, Appendix 1 (Chapter 8). The criteria established for extraordinary circumstances in section 43 CFR 46.215 do not apply to this action. No further documentation will therefore be made. is found not to have significant environmental effects as determined by the attached Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact. is found to have significant effects, and therefore further consideration of this action will require a notice of intent to be published in the Federal Register announcing the decision to prepare an EIS. is not approved because of unacceptable environmental damage, or violation of Fish and Wildlife Service mandates, policy, regulations, or procedures. is an emergency action within the context of 40 CFR 1506.11. Only those actions necessary to control the immediate impacts of the emergency will be taken. Other related actions remain subject to NEPA review.

Other supporting documents (list):

Final Southeast Missouri Ozarks Regional Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment

Hennessey Tract Acquisition Proposal from Missouri State Parks

Department of the Interior, Departmental Manual Part 516, Chapter 8, "Managing the NEPA Process—U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service"

FWS Form 3-2185 NEPA Compliance Checklist

Region 3 NRDAR Coordinator

Date

Regional Director / Authorized Official

Date 30, 30)